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Re: US Patent Application No. 09/997,475
Filed: November 19, 2001
Continuation of US Patent Application No. 09/584,661
Our Ref. No. 25527-0003 US C1

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing in the above-entitled patent application is a Power of Attorney by Assignee executed on April 18, 2002. We hereby wish to reinstate ourselves as Attorney of Record in this matter. Examiner BJ Forman, Ph.D, Art Unit 1655, was in charge of prosecuting parent application No. 09/584,661.

Respectfully submitted,

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In re application of:

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Application Serial No. 09/997,175

Filed: November 19, 2001

For: **MAGNETIC FIELD ENHANCED
HYBRIDIZATION OF TARGET
MOLECULES TO IMMOBILIZED
PROBES**

Art Unit: 1655

Examiner: Unassigned

Attorney's Docket No: 25527-0003 C1

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Sir:

Iris BioTechnologies, Inc. ["Iris"] states that it is the assignee of the entire right, title and interest in the application identified above by virtue of an assignment from the inventors, recorded on January 26, 2001 at reel/frame 011475/0218 of parent application serial number 09/584,661, filed May 30, 2000.

As assignee of the entire interest of the above-identified application, Iris hereby appoints the practitioners at Customer Number 25213 as its attorneys and agents to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.

The undersigned is authorized to act on behalf of the assignee.

Iris BioTechnologies, Inc.

By: *Simon S. Chin*Simon S. Chin
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